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FIELD CROP ACREAGE AND PRODUCTION

BARLEY: California's barley harvested acreage is forecast at 65.0 thousand, 13 percent below last year. Nationally, producers seeded 3.68 million acres of barley for the 2012 crop year, up 44 percent from the previous year. Harvested area, forecast at 3.27 million acres, is up 46

percent from 2011. This is the first increase evident for barley acreage since 2008.

CORN: As of June 1, the total planted acreage of California corn for all purposes is estimated at 610 thousand, down 3 percent from last year. Of these acres, California farmers expected to harvest 180 thousand acres for grain in 2012, up 20 percent from 2011. In the U.S. corn planted area for all purposes in 2012 is estimated at 96.4 million acres, up 5 percent from last year and represents the highest planted acreage in the United States since 1937 when an estimated 97.2 million acres were planted. Growers expect to harvest 88.9 million acres for grain, up 6 percent from last year.

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FIELD CROP ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION

Crop	Area Planted		Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre			Production		
	2011	2012	2011	2012 Forecast	Unit	2011	2012	Unit	2011	2012 Forecast
	1,000 Acres								1,000	
CALIFORNIA										
Wheat, Winter a/	670	670	420	330	Tons	2.55	2.55	Tons	1,071.0	841.5
Wheat, Durum	120	140	115	130	Tons	3.27	3.30	Tons	376.1	429.0
Oats a/	200	230	15	30	Tons	1.60	1.52	Tons	24.0	45.6
Barley a/	100	110	75	65	Tons	1.51	1.32	Tons	113.4	85.8
Corn for Grain b/	630	610	150	180	Tons	5.18	c/	Tons	777.0	c/
Rice, All	585	560	580	555	Cwt.	83.50	c/	Cwt.	48,402.0	c/
Long	7	5	7	5	Cwt.	55.00	d/	Cwt.	385.0	d/
Medium	535	510	530	505	Cwt.	85.00	d/	Cwt.	45,050.0	d/
Short e/	43	45	43	45	Cwt.	69.00	d/	Cwt.	2,967.0	d/
Cotton, Upland	182.0	150.0	181.0	c/	Lbs.	1,474.00	c/	Bales	556.0	c/
Cotton, American-Pima	274.0	215.0	273.0	c/	Lbs.	1,380.00	c/	Bales	785.0	c/
Sweet Potatoes	18.5	18.0	18.2	18.0	Cwt.	320.00	d/	Cwt.	5,824.0	d/
Sugar Beets f/	25.1	25.0	25.1	25.0	Tons	43.98	c/	Tons	1,104.0	c/
Beans, Dry, All g/	45.5	44.0	45.0	43.5	Cwt.	22.80	c/	Cwt.	1,026.0	c/
Hay, All	---	---	1,390	1,540	Tons	5.69	c/	Tons	7,908.0	c/
Alfalfa	---	---	880	980	Tons	6.90	c/	Tons	6,072.0	c/
Other	---	---	510	560	Tons	3.60	c/	Tons	1,836.0	c/
Safflower	57.0	56.0	56.0	55.0	Lbs.	1,900.00	d/	Lbs.	106,400.0	d/
Sunflowers	44.0	50.0	43.5	49.5	Lbs.	1,018.00	d/	Lbs.	44,300.0	d/
UNITED STATES										
Wheat, Winter a/	40,646	41,819	32,314	35,023	Tons	1.39	1.43	Tons	44,810.3	50,110.4
Wheat, Durum	1,369	2,203	1,312	2,122	Tons	1.15	1.16	Tons	1,514.5	2,458.8
Oats a/	2,496	2,746	939	1,091	Tons	0.91	0.96	Tons	858.4	1,044.4
Barley a/	2,559	3,678	2,239	3,268	Tons	1.67	1.59	Tons	3,738.7	5,200.6
Corn for Grain b/	91,921	96,405	83,981	88,851	Tons	4.12	c/	Tons	346,035.5	c/
Rice, All	2,689	2,661	2,618	2,640	Cwt.	70.67	c/	Cwt.	185,009.0	c/
Long	1,794	1,940	1,740	1,925	Cwt.	66.91	d/	Cwt.	116,420.0	c/
Medium	851	675	834	669	Cwt.	78.61	d/	Cwt.	65,562.0	c/
Short e/	44	46	44	46	Cwt.	68.80	d/	Cwt.	3,027.0	c/
Cotton, Upland	14,428.0	12,400.0	9,156.0	c/	Lbs.	772.00	c/	Bales	14,722.0	c/
Cotton, American-Pima	307.4	235.0	304.9	c/	Lbs.	1,340.00	c/	Bales	851.2	c/
Sweet Potatoes	133.6	131.4	129.7	128.5	Cwt.	208.00	d/	Cwt.	26,964.0	d/
Sugar Beets f/	1,232.7	1,244.1	1,213.1	1,215.9	Tons	23.80	c/	Tons	28,828.0	c/
Beans, Dry, All g/	1,205.9	1,632.7	1,155.9	1,573.6	Cwt.	17.16	c/	Cwt.	19,833.0	c/
Hay, All	---	---	55,633	57,669	Tons	2.36	c/	Tons	131,144.0	c/
Alfalfa	---	---	19,213	18,827	Tons	3.40	c/	Tons	65,332.0	c/
Other	---	---	36,420	38,842	Tons	1.81	c/	Tons	65,812.0	c/
Safflower	130.7	147.5	127.3	141.5	Lbs.	1,333.00	d/	Lbs.	169,671.0	d/
Sunflowers	1,543.0	1,804.5	1,457.8	1,735.4	Lbs.	1,398.00	d/	Lbs.	2,038,275.0	d/

a/ Includes area planted in preceding fall.

b/ Planted acres for all purposes.

c/ Estimate to be released August 10, 2012.

d/ To be released January 2013.

e/ Includes sweet rice.

f/ Relates to year of intended harvest in all states, except California. In California, related to year of intended harvest for fall planted beets in central California and to year of planting for over-wintered beets in central and southern California.

g/ Excludes beans grown for garden seed.

FIELD CROP ACREAGE AND PRODUCTION

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COTTON: California's cotton growers planted 150 thousand acres of Upland cotton and 215 thousand acres of American Pima cotton in 2012. Upland acreage is down 18 percent, and American Pima acreage is down 22 percent from 2011. Nationally, area planted to cotton in 2012 is estimated at 12.6 million acres, down 14 percent from last year. Upland area is estimated at 12.4 million acres, down 14 percent from 2011. American Pima area is estimated at 235 thousand acres, down 24 percent from 2011.

DRY BEANS: An estimated 44.0 thousand acres in California were seeded to dry edible beans for the 2012 season, down 3 percent from last year's total. The U.S. dry edible bean planted area is estimated at 1.63 million acres for 2012, up 35 percent from 2011. Harvested area is forecast at 1.57 million acres, 36 percent above the previous year. Planted area is expected to be higher than last year in 14 of the 18 estimating States.

HAY: On June 1, California growers expected to harvest alfalfa from 980 thousand acres in 2012, up 11 percent from last year's 880 thousand acres. The estimate for all other hay to be harvested is 560 thousand acres, up 10 percent from last year's total. U.S. acreage harvested for alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures is estimated at 18.8 million, and all other hay harvested acreage is expected to total 38.8 million acres. Alfalfa is 2 percent below, and other hay is 7 percent above 2011.

OATS: California oats were seeded on 230 thousand acres for 2012, up 15 percent from last year's acreage. Acreage expected to be harvested for grain totaled 30.0 thousand acres, double that of 2011. Nationally, the area seeded to oats for the 2012 crop year is 2.75 million acres, up 10 percent from the record low planted last year. This is the second lowest United States total on record. Growers expect to harvest 1.09 million acres, up 16 percent from the record low last year. If realized, this will be second lowest total on record.

RICE: California's seeded rice acreage is estimated at 560 thousand acres; long grain rice 5.00 thousand acres, medium grain 510 thousand acres and short grain 45.0 thousand acres. Nationally, the area planted to rice in 2012 is estimated at 2.66 million acres, down 1 percent from 2011, and the lowest planted acreage since 1987. Area for harvest is forecast at 2.64 million acres, up 1 percent from last year. While long grain planted area is up 8 percent from last year, medium grain area is down 21 percent.

SAFFLOWER: California safflower growers planted 56.0 thousand acres in 2012. Safflower acreage is down 2 percent from last year's total. U.S. planted area of safflower increased 13 percent from 2011, to 148 thousand acres in 2012. This is the second lowest planted area for the Nation since records began in 1991. Area for harvest is forecast at 142 thousand acres, up 11 percent from last year.

SUGAR BEETS: California growers have planted and intend to plant 25.0 thousand acres to sugar beets, down slightly from last year. U.S. area planted to sugarbeets for the 2012 crop year is estimated at 1.24 million acres, up 1 percent from last year. Harvested area is forecast at 1.22 million acres, up slightly from 2011. Planted area is above the previous year in seven of the ten estimating States.

SWEET POTATOES: California's sweet potato planted acreage is forecast at 18.0 thousand acres, 3 percent below 2011. Nationally, area to be harvested, at 128.5 thousand acres, is 1 percent below the 129.7 thousand acres harvested the previous year.

WHEAT: California's winter wheat planted acreage is estimated at 670 thousand acres, unchanged from last year. The 330 thousand acres to be harvested for grain is 21 percent below 2011. California's acreage seeded to Durum wheat totaled 140 thousand acres, up 17 percent from 2011. Nationally, the 2012 winter wheat planted area is estimated at 41.8 million acres, up 3 percent from 2011, and up slightly from the previous estimate. Nationally, more acres were seeded this year due to expectations of better net returns compared with last year. The area to be harvested for grain is expected to total 35.0 million acres, 8 percent above last year's level. U.S. acreage harvested for Durum wheat is estimated at 2.12 million acres, 62 percent above 2011.

GRAIN STOCKS

On-farm wheat stocks in California on June 1, 2012 totaled 7.20 thousand tons, 33 percent above the 5.40 thousand tons on hand a year earlier. U.S. stocks of all wheat at 22.3 million tons were 14 percent less than the 25.9 million tons on hand June 1, 2011.

Off-farm barley stocks in California totaled 9.0 thousand tons on June 1, 2012, 96 percent above a year earlier. U.S. barley stocks, at 1.44 million tons, were 33 percent below the June 1, 2011 total.

Off-farm stocks of corn in California totaled 142 thousand tons on June 1, 2012, 1 percent below a year earlier. U.S. stocks of corn in all positions totaled 88 million tons, 14 percent below June 2011.

GRAIN STOCKS IN ALL POSITIONS

(Includes stocks under support and government owned grain.)

Grain and Position	June 1, 2011	March 1, 2012 a/	June 1, 2012
	Tons		
ALL WHEAT			
California			
On-Farm	5,400	18,000	7,200
Off-Farm b/ c/	d/	216,780	68,670
Total	d/	234,780	75,870
U.S. Total	25,867,380	35,980,350	22,281,360
BARLEY			
California			
Off-Farm b/ e/	4,584	16,920	9,000
U.S. Total	2,144,424	2,249,472	1,441,560
OATS			
California			
Off Farm b/ e/	2,160	2,464	1,520
U.S. Total	1,082,064	1,196,704	879,984
CORN			
California			
Off-Farm b/ e/	143,472	270,704	142,240
U.S. Total	102,755,464	168,653,968	88,159,120
SORGHUM GRAIN			
California			
Off-Farm b/ e/	2,044	4,620	2,856
U.S. Total	2,240,952	3,025,848	1,638,308

a/ U.S. revised.

b/ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors.

c/ California off-farm stocks and total stocks for June 2012 are included in United States totals.

d/ Withheld to avoid disclosing data on individual operations

e/ California on-farm stocks and total stocks included in United States totals.

OFF-FARM RICE STOCKS

Stocks of milled rice stored in **California** mills and warehouses on June 1, 2012 totaled 1.75 million cwt. This was 1 percent below the 1.77 million cwt. stored a year earlier. Whole kernels accounted for 57 percent of the total milled rice in storage. **Nationally**, milled rice stocks in all positions on June 1 totaled 4.46 million cwt., down 25 percent from a year ago.

California rough rice stocks in all positions totaled 13.1 million cwt. on June 1, 2012. This was 1 percent above the 12.9 million cwt. on hand a year earlier. **Nationally**, rough rice in all positions on June 1 totaled 59.1 million cwt., down 17 percent from the total on June 1, 2011.

ROUGH AND MILLED RICE STOCKS IN ALL POSITIONS

Type of Rice	CALIFORNIA		UNITED STATES	
	June 1		June 1	
	2011	2012	2011	2012
	1,000 Cwt.			
ROUGH RICE				
Long Grain	a/	a/	54,636	37,552
Medium Grain	11,348	11,538	15,327	20,272
Short Grain	a/	a/	1,410	1,282
TOTAL ROUGH RICE	12,924	13,103	71,373	59,106
MILLED RICE				
Whole Kernels (Head Rice)				
Long Grain	a/	a/	3,291	1,906
Medium Grain	758	937	981	1,041
Short Grain	a/	a/	53	60
Total	816	1,002	4,325	3,007
Broken Kernels				
Second Heads	a/	373	817	778
Screenings	b/	b/	153	145
Brewers	a/	378	673	532
Total	953	751	1,643	1,455
TOTAL MILLED RICE	1,769	1,753	5,968	4,462

a/ Not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

b/ Screenings included with second heads.

CALIFORNIA ROUGH RICE STOCKS

Month	Season		
	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12
	1,000 Cwt.		
December 1	41,402	38,863	39,767
March 1	28,755	27,228	26,571
June 1	15,098	12,924	13,103
August 1	7,920	6,622	---
October 1	4,251	2,063	---

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CALIFORNIA FIELD CROP PRICES – JUNE 2012

Mid-June prices received by California farmers were below May for dry edible beans, all types of potatoes, and all types of hay. Prices for wheat were not published to avoid disclosure of individual buyers. Sales were too insufficient to establish a mid-month price for upland cotton lint and barley. Crop prices at mid-June were above the previous year's level for other hay.

U.S. PRICES RECEIVED INDEX

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in June, at 181 percent, based on 1990-1992=100, increased 3 points (1.7 percent) from May. The Crop Index is up 2 points (1.0 percent), and the Livestock Index increased 1 point (0.7 percent). Producers received higher prices for hogs, oranges, eggs and broccoli, and lower prices for hay, corn, soybeans and broilers. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly movement of wheat and hay offset the decreased marketing of oranges, corn, cattle and strawberries.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 1 point (0.6 percent) from June 2011. The Food Commodities Index, at 170, increased 4 points (2.4 percent) from last month, but decreased 1 point (0.6 percent) from June 2011.

The June All Crops Index, at 210, increased 1.0 percent from May, and 0.5 percent from June 2011. Index increases for fruits & nuts and commercial vegetables more than offset the index decreases for feed grains & hay, oilseeds, food grains and potatoes & dry beans.

The June Food Grains Index, at 213, is 2.3 percent below the previous month, and down 12 percent from a year ago. The June price for all wheat, at \$6.37 per bushel, is down 30 cents from May, and \$1.04 below June 2011.

The June Feed Grains & Hay Index, at 265, is down 2.9 percent from last month, but 1.1 percent above a year ago. The corn price, at \$6.25 per bushel, is down 8 cents from last month, and 13 cents below June 2011. The all hay price, at \$183 per ton, is down \$16.00 from May, but \$20.00 higher than last June. Sorghum grain, at \$9.95 per cwt., is 45 cents below May, and 55 cents below June last year.

The June Upland Cotton Index, at 137, is down 2.1 percent from May, but unchanged from last year. The June price, at 83.1 cents per pound, is down 1.5 cents from the previous month, and 0.2 cent below last June.

The June Potatoes & Dry Beans Index, at 180, is down 3.2 percent from last month, and 8.2 percent below June 2011. The all potato price, at \$9.89 per cwt., is down 55 cents from May, and \$1.70 below last June. The all dry bean price, at \$43.90 per cwt., is up 60 cents from the previous month, and \$10.10 above June 2011.

AVERAGE FARM PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS ^{a/}

AVERAGE FARM PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS a/							
Commodity	Unit	CALIFORNIA			UNITED STATES		
		June 2011	May 2012	Jun 15, 2012	June 2011	May 2012	Jun 15, 2012
		Dollars					
Corn b/	Tons	---	---	---	227.86	226.07	223.21
Wheat b/	Tons	c/	c/	c/	247.00	222.33	212.33
Oats b/	Tons	---	---	---	213.75	257.50	226.25
Barley b/	Tons	231.67	c/	d/	193.75	238.33	235.42
Sorghum Grain b/	Cwt.	---	---	---	10.50	10.40	9.95
Rice b/	Cwt.	---	---	---	12.10	13.80	13.80
Dry Edible Beans b/	Cwt.	49.60	50.80	40.80	33.80	43.30	43.90
All Potatoes e/	Cwt.	19.20	16.30	15.60	11.59	10.44	9.89
Spring	Cwt.	19.60	18.10	16.40	---	---	---
Fall	Cwt.	10.60	8.60	8.15	---	---	---
All Hay, Baled b/	Tons	224.00	213.00	204.00	163.00	199.00	183.00
Alfalfa Hay, Baled b/	Tons	237.00	220.00	211.00	180.00	215.00	201.00
Other Hay, Baled b/	Tons	166.00	175.00	174.00	113.00	146.00	133.00
Upland Cotton Lint b/	Lbs	0.914	c/	d/	0.833	0.846	0.831
Cottonseed	Tons	---	---	---	---	---	---

a/ The estimated prices shown in the table represent composite average prices received by farmers. They are averages for all grades, classes and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.

b/ Previous month revised to monthly average.

c/ Not published to avoid possible disclosure of operations.

d/ Insufficient data to establish a price.

e/ Monthly average.

INDEX NUMBER OF PRICES RECEIVED AND PRICES PAID BY FARMERS, UNITED STATES

Index	1910-14 = 100			1990-92 = 100		
	Jun 2011	May 2012	Jun 2012	Jun 2011	May 2012	Jun 2012
Prices Received						
All Farm Products	1,139	1,130	1,147	180	178	181
All Crops	1,036	1,032	1,042	209	208	210
Food Grains	771	691	676	243	218	213
Feed Grains and Hay	933	974	945	262	273	265
Cotton	705	716	703	137	140	137
Potatoes and Dry Edible Beans	992	944	910	196	186	180
Prices Paid by Farmers for Commodities, Services, Interest, Taxes and Wage Rates ^{a/}	2,707	2,860	2,860	203	215	215
Parity Ratio ^{b/}	42	40	40	---	---	---

a/ All production indexes as of 15th of month.

b/ Ratio of Index of Prices Received by Farmers to Index of Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes and Farm Wage Rates.

POTATO ACREAGE AND PRODUCTION

California's production of spring potatoes is forecast at 11.7 million cwt., up 7 percent from 2011. Harvested area for 2012 is estimated at 29.5 thousand acres, up 5 percent from last year's harvested acreage. Nationally, production of spring potatoes is forecast at 27.7 million cwt., up 8 percent from a year ago. Harvested area is estimated at 96.1 thousand acres, 5 percent above last year.

California's planted and harvested fall potato acreage for 2012 is forecast at 8.5 thousand acres, down 1 percent from the previous year's estimate. Nationally, harvested acres are forecast at 991 thousand acres, up 5 percent from 2011.

POTATO ACREAGE, YIELD AND PRODUCTION

Seasonal Group and State	Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	2011	2012
	Thousand Acres		Cwt.		Thousand Cwt.	
SPRING a/ b/ - California	28.0	29.5	390	395	10,920	11,653
TOTAL SPRING	91.5	96.1	279	289	25,573	27,740
FALL - California	8.6	8.5	480	c/	4,128	c/
Colorado	53.9	55.0	395	c/	21,291	c/
Idaho	319.0	344.0	398	c/	127,070	c/
10 SW Co.	19.0	20.0	530	c/	10,070	c/
Other Co.	300.0	324.0	390	c/	117,000	c/
North Dakota	77.0	84.0	245	c/	18,865	c/
Ohio	1.7	2.2	250	c/	425	c/
Oregon	39.9	41.0	585	c/	23,342	c/
Washington	160.0	165.0	615	c/	98,400	c/
TOTAL FALL	939.2	990.8	414	c/	388,873	c/
U.S. TOTAL	1,076.7	1,134.4	397	c/	427,406	c/

a/ Beginning in 2010, winter and summer estimates included in spring total for California.

b/ Estimates for current year carried forward from earlier forecast.

c/ Yield and production for 2012 to be released November 9, 2012.

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